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# PM HBCT VHMS Program

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# Agenda



## **Objective: Provide an overview of PM HBCT 's VHMS Program (Informational Brief):**

- ☐ Vehicle Health Management System Definition
- ☐ User Requirements and System Engineering Artifacts
- ☐ VHMS System Software and Hardware Components
  - ☐ VHMS Key Products
- ☐ Condition Based Maintenance & Command Guidance
- ☐ Off-Platform Reporting to the GCSS-Army Enterprise
  - ☐ Tactical Logistics Systems
- ☐ Question/Answer Session



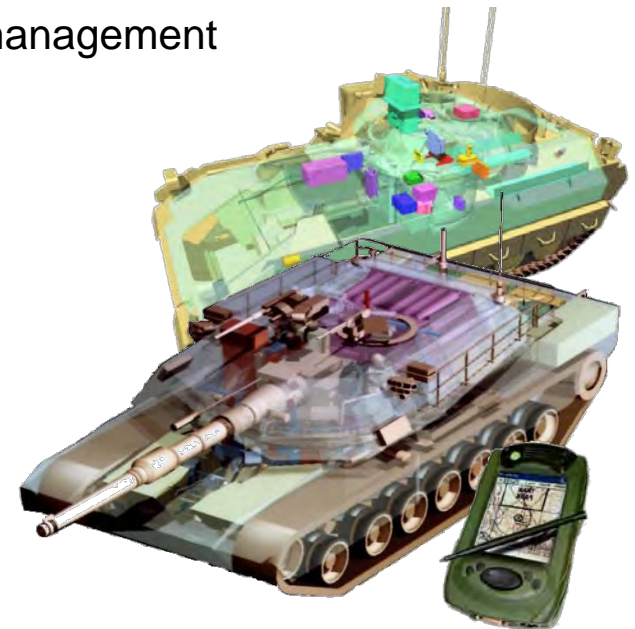
# VHMS Definition

## □ On-platform:

- Improved embedded diagnostics (self reporting platform)
- Data collection and storage (faults, supply, configuration management, etc.)
- User interface for:
  - Interactive PMCS & troubleshooting (IETMs)
  - System state, configuration & supply status management
  - Off-platform reporting & requisitioning

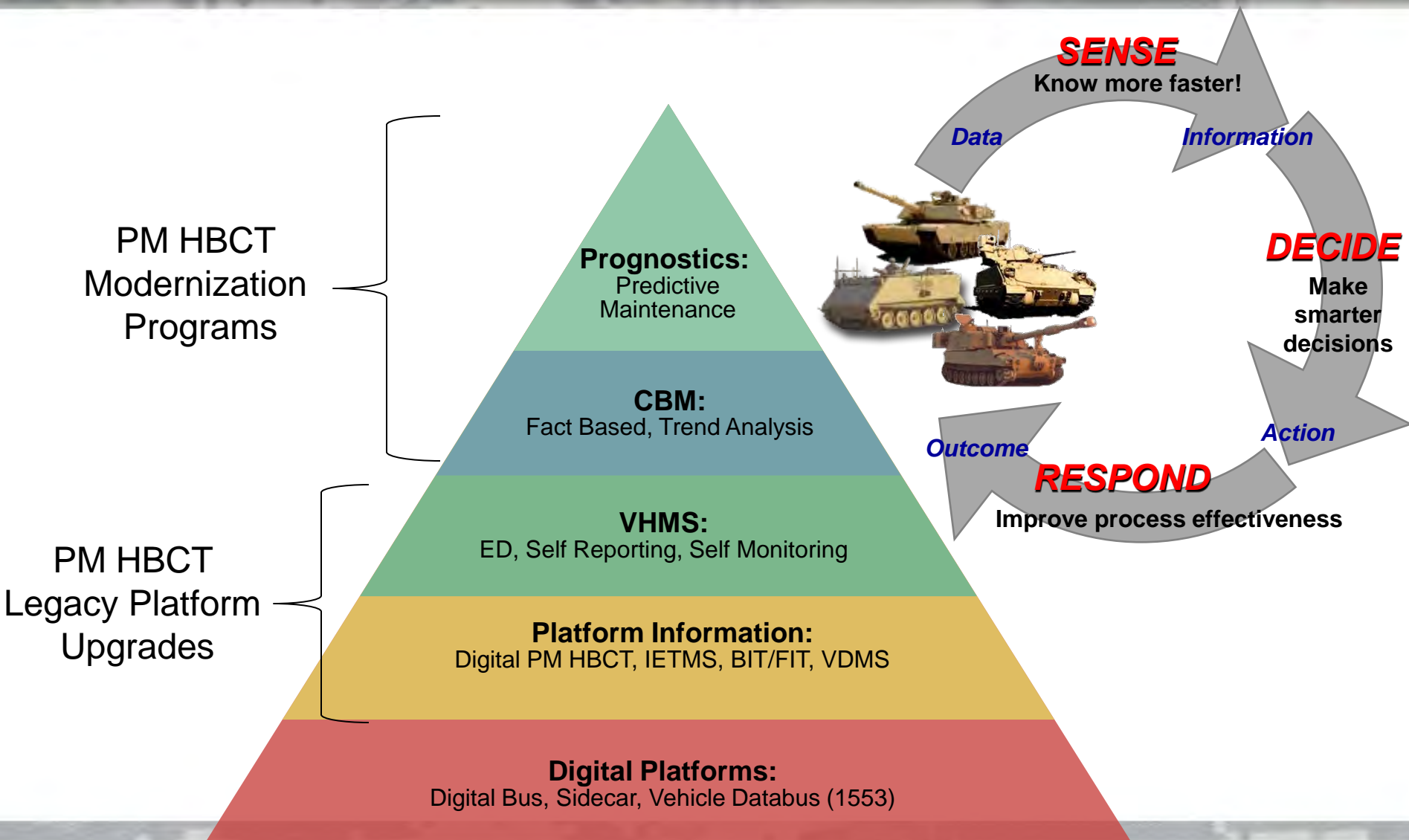
## □ VHMS links to Army Logistics Enterprise networks for (Future Capability):

- Logistics reporting
- Supply requisitioning
- Fleet data storage & analysis
- CBM:
  - Predictive (use-based) maintenance
  - Development & refinement of prognostic (condition-based) maintenance algorithms





# VHMS: Building the Future Incremental Capability Development



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# VHMS Operational Requirement Traceability



Start with User Requirements from the Warfighter

## Operational requirements with trace to approved ORDs

Current diagnostic performance

Record diagnostic events and data in non-volatile memory

Report equipment health to operator

Track on-hand fuel/ammunition and report to C2

Report deadlining faults to C2

Manage software and hardware configuration

Incorporate class III ETMs

Provide automated troubleshooting with ETMs

Provide wired interface for SoS sharing

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## Operational requirements that need approval of draft ORD/CDD requirements

Enhanced diagnostic performance

Provide prognostic capability

Track equipment capability and report to C2

Incorporate class V IETMs

Provide PMA

Provide automated PMCS

Track equipment usage

Display vehicle history

Provide wireless interface for SoS sharing

Provide fault resolution and maintenance action tracking

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Hard or Desired Requirement

Increment 1 Capabilities

Increment 2 Capabilities

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# Common System Engineering Document Tree



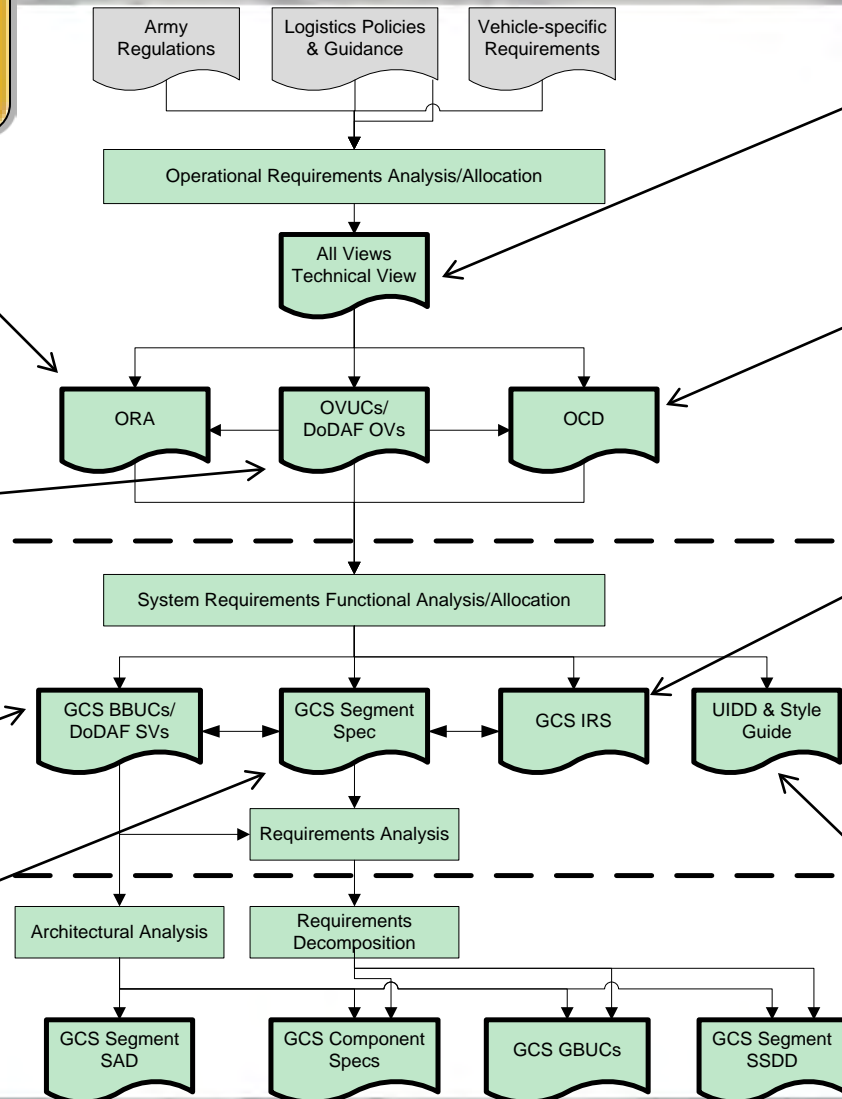
**Derive Requirements to Performance Specifications**

**Operational Requirements Analysis provides top-level VHMS requirements & traceability to sources.**

**Operational Views & OV Use Cases describe VHMS capabilities through user scenarios.**

**System Views & Black Box Use Cases decompose VHMS capabilities into system functions and define interfaces.**

**GCS Requirements needed to implement VHMS.**



**VHMS scope, purpose, definitions and technical standards.**

**Operational concept describing the “as is” and “to be” VHMS concept.**

**Interface requirements between on components on platform and requirements to communicate off-platform. (i.e.. GCSS-Army)**

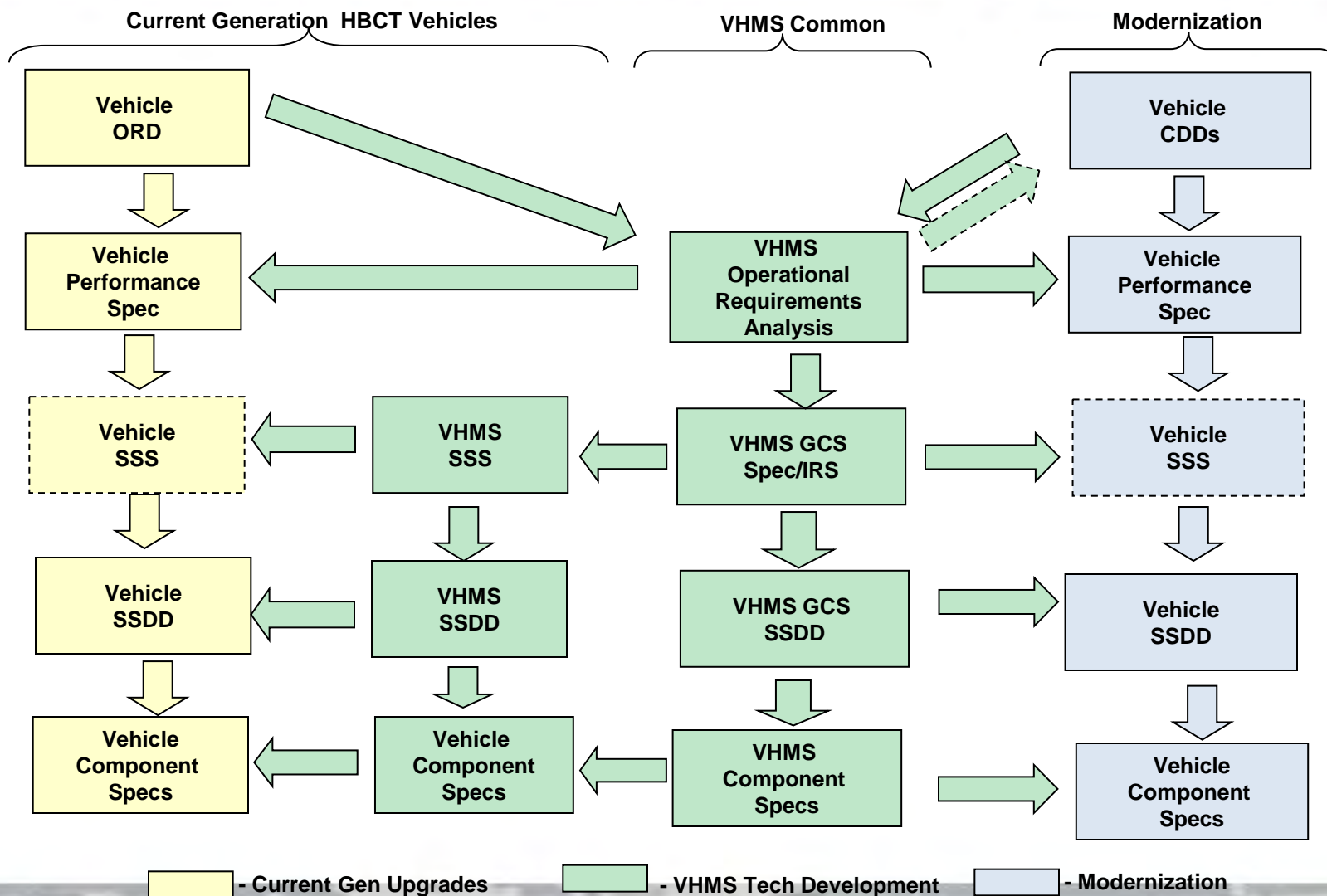
**Common user interface design for each VHMS screen. Style guide to facilitate tailoring an individual screen.**

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# VHMS Requirements Flow-Down

## Requirements Across Platforms and Future Capability Increments







# Vehicle Health Management System (VHMS)

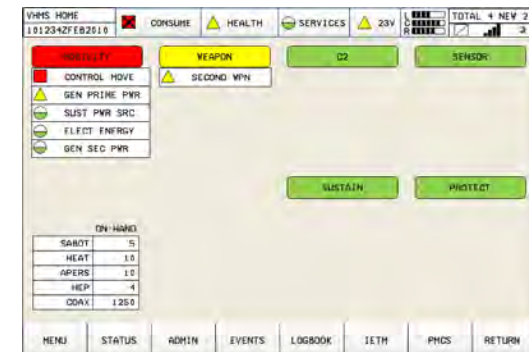


- Development of overarching system requirements and architecture for a PM HBCT VHMS implementation
- Enhance and Integrate Diagnostics on platform
- Coordinate off-platform interfaces with Enterprise-level logistics systems (GCSS-A, CBM Data Warehouse)

**BAE SYSTEMS**



**GENERAL DYNAMICS**  
Land Systems



- Enhance Embedded Diagnostics
- Enable platform data storage and transfer
- Develop & integrate IETMs
- Integrate Ground Digital Log Book (GDLB)
- Plan for future upgrades (LRMs, SRU-level Fault Isolation)

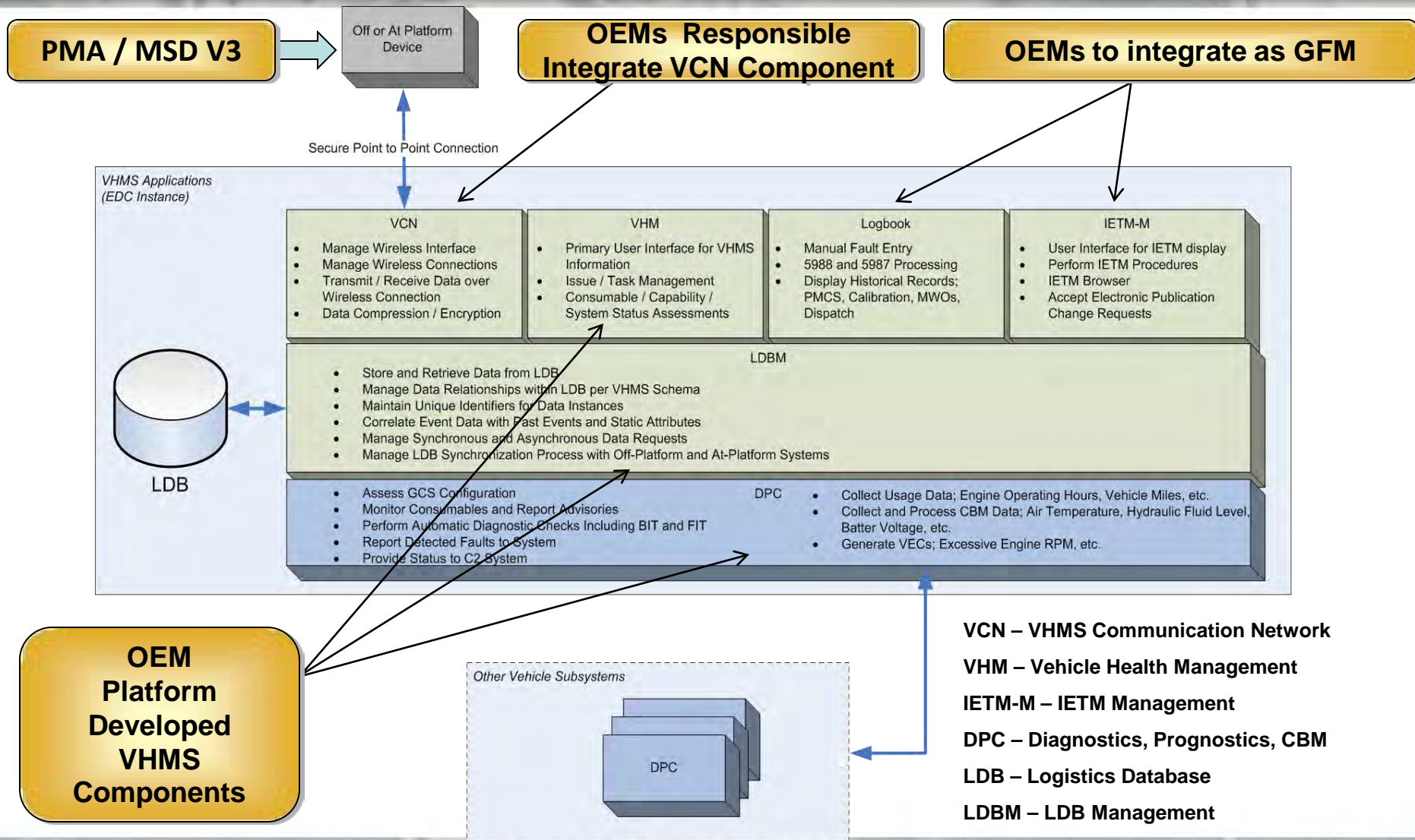
- Centralized Health Management Application
- Common GUI that reduces training footprint for HBCT maintainers

***Commonality where feasible with Industry Partners***

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# GCS Software Architecture



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# Hardware Approaches

	PMA	EDC	Ethernet Switch	Wireless NIC
<b>Abrams</b>	 Portable Multi-Functional Display*	 Recording & Simulation Unit (RSU)	 E-Switch	 Common WNIC
<b>Bradley &amp; PIM</b>		 SMART Display*	 E-Switch	 Common WNIC
<b>Maintainer</b>	 MSD V3	 MSD V3 to be used for At-Platform Functions & Off-Platform Data Transfer		

\* Current display HW are surrogates until common display IPT does official RFI/RFP



# VHMS Key Products



## Material Solutions

- ❑ Ground Digital Logbook
- ❑ IETMs
- ❑ VHMS Comms Network (VCN)
- ❑ E-switch
- ❑ Wireless Network Card



EMS-NG(IETM)



Ground Digital LB



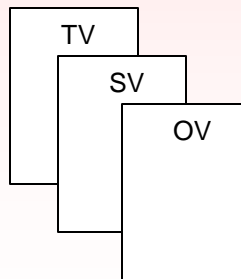
Wireless NIC



E-switch



Specifications



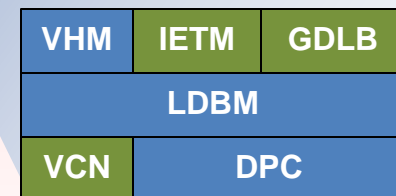
DoDAF Architecture Artifacts



Common Screens

## Platform Software

- ❑ Vehicle Health Management
- ❑ Enhanced Diagnostics
- ❑ Logistics Database Management
- ❑ Integrating GFM



GFM

OEM



# Baseline Benefits of Vehicle Health Management



## □ PM HBCT capabilities based initiative

- Mission Readiness Assessment
- Improved diagnostics and provides data storage & transfer capability
- Provides a systems engineering approach to obsolescence

## □ Reduce Logistics Footprint and increase reliability

- STE / BRADS / ATE Reduction/Elimination (cost avoidance)
- Reduces Troubleshooting burdens (IETMS, GDLB)
- Self diagnosing, self reporting and verification on board (real time)
- Automates maintenance processes (PMCS)
- Common User Interface (Screens)
- Leverages existing platform diagnostics and vehicle networks

***Improved diagnostics, reduced maintenance time, increased reliability,  
reduced NEOF's = improved OR rates and improved  
combat power for soldiers and reduced costs***





# Summary of Benefits Achievable with VHMS & CBM+



- Reduce or eliminate reliance on DSESTS in Field (cost avoidance)
- Reduce NEOF rates in Field & Sustainment (cost avoidance, inventory reduction)
- Platforms become self-diagnosing & self-reporting (workload reduction, accuracy increase)
- Automate maintenance (workload reduction & increase accuracy)
- Common maintenance display (reduced training assets, cross-functional field diagnosis)
- Increase Ao
- Reduce MDT (shorter diagnostic time, reduced maintenance workload, reduced part order errors)
- Automate PMCS (workload reduction & increase accuracy)
- Reduce time to process repair parts requisitions
- Increase asset visibility, situational understanding of combat power, consumables & crew situation
- Contribution to net-centric warfare & logistics capabilities
- Increase early warning of possible failures through CBM condition advisories (increase MTBSA, reduce potential collateral damage)

P3I

***VHMS Program is being implemented with incremental capabilities on Current Legacy and future Modernization Programs (P3I)***

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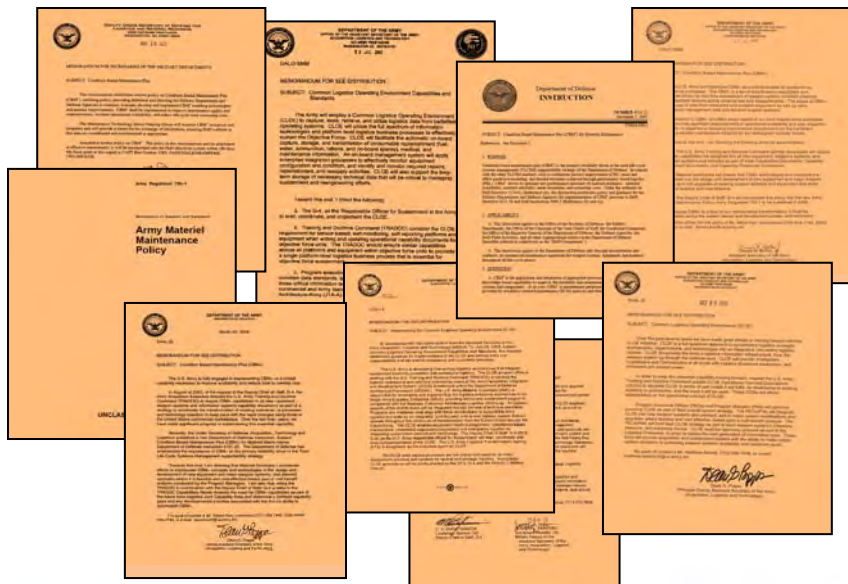


# Command Guidance for CBM

- ❑ DUSD(L&MR) memorandum, 25 Nov 2002
- ❑ ASA(ALT) memorandum, 25 Jul 2003
- ❑ MILDEP & G-4 memorandum, 05 May 2005
- ❑ ASA(ALT) memorandum, 17 August 2005
- ❑ AR 750-1, 20 Sep 2007
- ❑ DOD Instruction 4151.22, 2 Dec 2007
- ❑ ASA(ALT) memorandum, March 20 2008
- ❑ CLOE/CBM+ Policy Memorandum, 09 Feb 2009

## ❑ Bottom line:

- PMs must implement CBM+ and integrate CLOE standards into both new and existing systems when deemed feasible and cost effective.
- Requires cost-benefit analysis for existing systems.



Next Capability  
Increment for  
Modernization  
Programs



# Condition Based Maintenance (CBM)

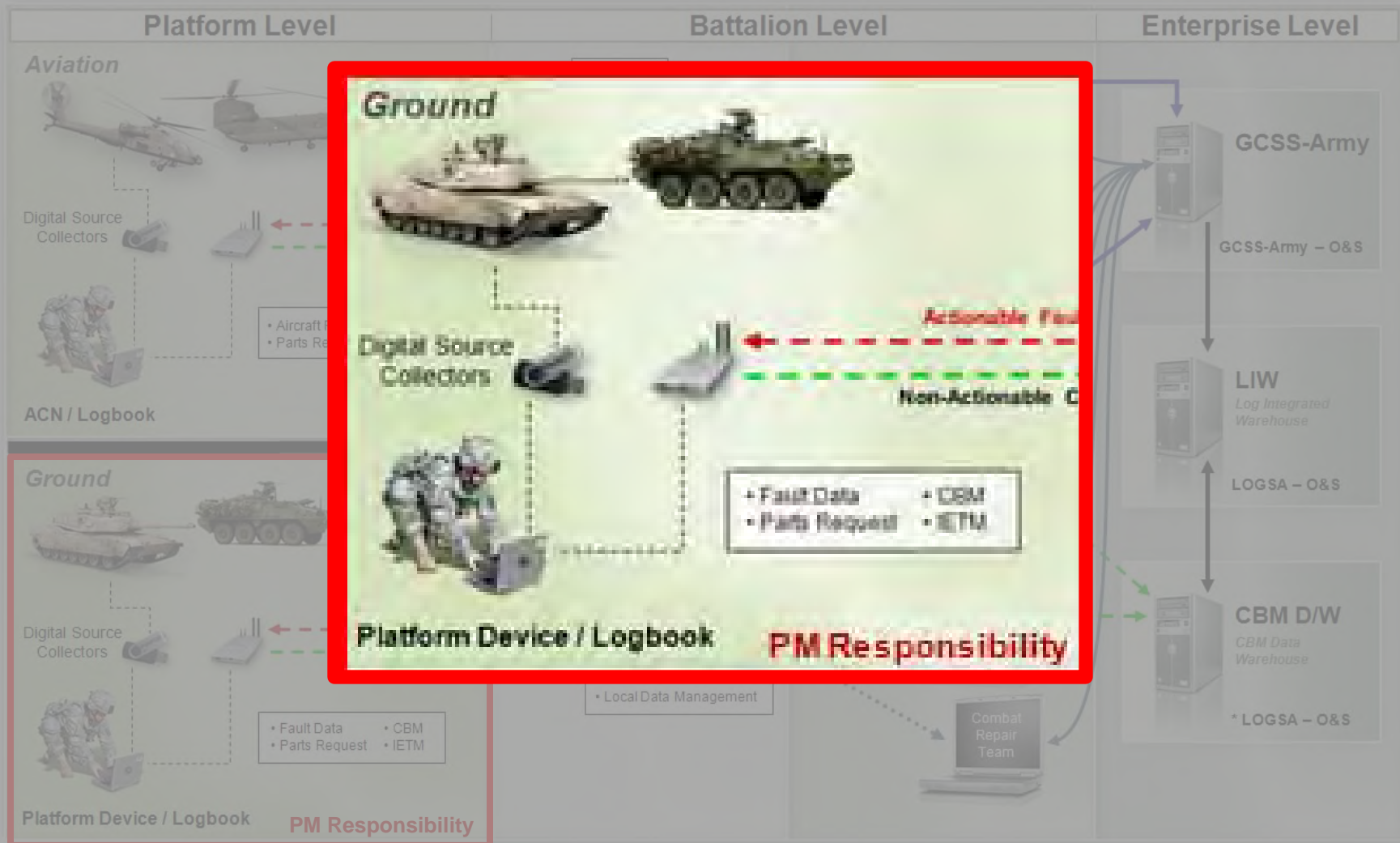


- A set of proactive maintenance processes and capabilities that improve **operational availability** and reduce the soldier's **maintenance burden** by performing maintenance based upon evidence of need in lieu of scheduled based or run-to-failure maintenance processes .
- Accomplished through:
  - Digitized platform (embedded sensors and vehicle network)
  - Enhanced diagnostics
  - Evolving systems to predict remaining useful life of components
  - Then to automate supply transactions
- Derived from near real-time assessment and analysis of data from:
  - Embedded Sensors
  - Platform Maintenance Environments
  - Platform Supply & Maintenance Data (historical)

***Proactive. Evidence of Need. Condition Based Overhauls & Inspections***



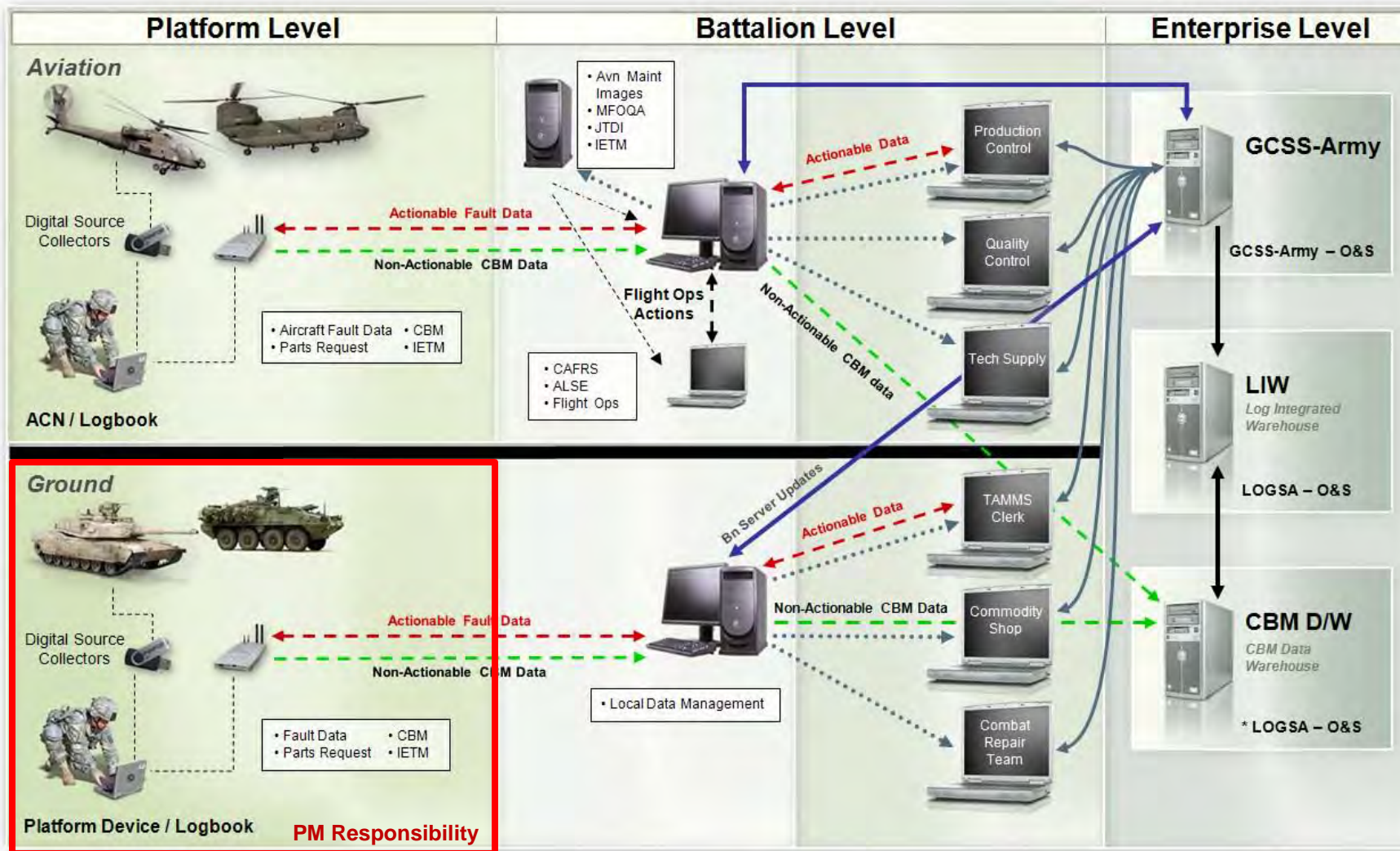
# Ground Platform VHMS







# Visualizing the Enterprise







# Benefits of GCSS-Army/CLOE

Provides **ACCURATE VISIBILITY OF PARTS** in the Supply Chain

Today's Tactical Logistics Systems:

SARSS-1

SARSS-GW

SARSS-2AC/B

PBUSE

SAAS-MOD

ULLS-A(E)

SAMS-E

**GCSS-Army**  
IOC in FY12  
FOC in FY15

Provides Accurate **EQUIPMENT READINESS** Data

ASSET VISIBILITY



Captures Total Weapons System **COSTS**

TOTAL WEAPONS SYSTEM COSTS



Performs Tactical Logistics **FINANCIAL FUNCTIONS**

*The Tactical Army's Logistics ERP*

SUPPLY

FINANCE



AMMO

AMMO VISIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY



OPERATIONAL AND EQUIPMENT READINESS



**Equipment Master**

Enables Accurate **PROPERTY ACCOUNTABILITY**

PROPERTY BOOK



Provides a **CENTRALIZED AMMUNITION MANAGEMENT System**

Providing Soldiers a Single System to accomplish a wide range of Logistics Missions  
HBCT is Leveraging "Big Army" Initiatives



# PM HBCT VHMS Program Summary



- ❑ The VHMS program has developed and delivered system engineering documentation and a set of common materiel solutions.
- ❑ VHMS team is now developing platform specific materiel solutions to implement a VHMS system to connect to End to End Logistics Systems and Data Warehouses (logistics, engineering and CBM data).
- ❑ VHMS will connect to the Global Combat Support System Army (GCSS-A) – which is the Army's future Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system.



# PM HBCT VHMS Program



## Question/Answer Session